



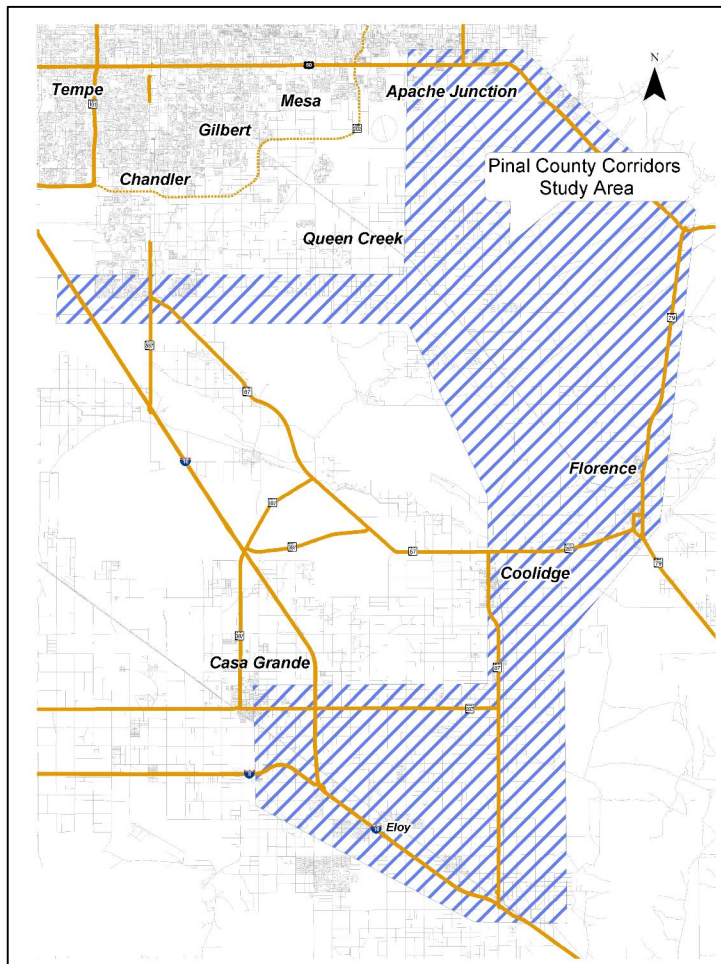
Pinal County Corridors Definition Study

Open House Information Sheet

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The Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) welcomes you to the **Pinal County Corridors Definition Study Open House**. This study will examine the need for and feasibility of potential new future transportation corridors within the study area. In November 2005, ADOT will make recommendations to the State Transportation Board as to whether these corridors should be state highways, and if so, provide recommendations on the general type and locations of the future corridors. The study will not recommend corridors for which a need has not been established, and will not recommend specific roadway alignments. Please feel free to look over the information and displays presented tonight and talk with one of the project team members if you have questions or comments.

Where is the Study Area?



The **Pinal County Corridors Definition Study** has two components, the **East Valley Study Area** and the **Apache Junction / Coolidge Study Area**. The two study areas under consideration are described below:

- § The **East Valley Study Area** - East-west study area connecting I-10 and US 60 near Florence Junction
- § The **Apache Junction / Coolidge Study Area** - North-south study area connecting I-10 near Casa Grande or Eloy and US 60 in Apache Junction

What has been accomplished?

To date, challenges and issues have been identified for existing and future conditions. The study team has met with fifteen groups of community representatives, elected officials, and other stakeholders to gather input on issues and conditions.

How Can the Public Be Involved?

The public will have many opportunities to learn about this study and to provide input. During the course of this study, two rounds of public open houses will be held in various communities within the study area. The first round of open houses is being held in the communities of Apache Junction, Coolidge/Florence, Queen Creek, and Chandler/Gilbert. A second round of



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open houses will be held in the fall of 2005. Comment forms are available at all of the open houses.

In addition, ADOT and the project team are regularly meeting and communicating with a Technical Advisory Committee made up of representatives from the local cities and towns, counties, Indian communities, metropolitan planning organizations, and others. The purpose of the public involvement process is to understand the public's perspectives on major issues that should be addressed in the study of potential new corridors.

What are the next steps?

The next step in the study process is to use the information gathered at these open houses to identify possible corridor concepts. Traffic volumes in 2030 will be projected for the study areas and the need for the corridors will be assessed. If a need is established, refined corridor alternatives will be developed and evaluated to determine feasibility. Corridor feasibility will be evaluated on the basis of engineering issues, environmental impacts, and compatibility with community plans and visions.

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